Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Saturday 26 Aug 2023 until 23:59 on Sunday 27 Aug 2023

Forecast Issued on Saturday 26 Aug 2023 at 02:20 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High confidence in showery weather initially however uncertainty in amount and timing of showers, low confidence in the forecast from Tuesday.

Headline for Saturday 26 Aug 2023: A cloudy start with mist patches at lower levels. Some showers this afternoon.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 26 Aug 2023

Blizzards
Low Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
Low Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Cloudy	Sunny intervals	Light rain showers	Light rain showers	Light rain showers	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability					
20%	20%	30%	30%	30%	20%

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Weather: A cloudy start to the day with mist and fog patches likely especially around northern facing hills. A few sunny spells for the more southern ranges towards Loch Lomond and Arrochar but then some showers once again in the afternoon and evening, showers tending to move through reasonably well in strong northerly breezes.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 60%, early morning low cloud will tend to lift and thin but Lochaber ranges likely to continue to see low cloud forming.

Low Cloud and visibility: Broken low cloud for northern ranges in the morning above 500m will lift and thin although not likely to clear altogether especially around Lochaber ranges where it might be more persistent. Cloud thickening and lowering temporarily in any heavier afternoon showers. Visibility will generally be good but moderate at times in the north and very poor in early mist and fog.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	21/25 NE	17/21 NE	17/21 N	14/18 N	16/20 N	14/18 N	11/14 N
900	14/18 NE	11/14 N	8/12 NW	10/14 N	10/14 N	10/13 N	8/11 N
600	17/20 NE	11/14 NE	9/12 W	10/14 NW	11/14 NW	10/13 NE	8/10 N
300	9/12 N	7/10 N	5/8 NW	7/11 NW	6/11 NW	5/8 N	4/7 N
Glen	3/6 N	3/5 NW	6/11 NW	8/13 NW	7/12 NW	4/8 NW	4/7 NW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
1300	5/-0	5/1	6/1	7/3	7/3	6/3	6/2
900	7/3	8/5	9/7	9/7	9/7	8/6	8/6
600	9/5	10/7	10/8	11/9	11/9	10/8	10/8
300	10/8	12/10	12/11	13/12	13/12	12/11	12/11
Glen	11/11	14/14	15/14	15/14	15/14	14/13	13/12
Freezing Level*	2000m	2200m	2300m	2300m	2300m	2300m	2200m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Feeling cooler in northerly winds which will be stronger around western hills.

Forecast for Sunday 27 Aug 2023
Weather: Any early showers in the east dying out and some brighter conditions for a time with some sunny spells. Cloud will thicken later in the day but remaining mostly dry during daylight hours, perhaps some evening rain in the west.

Maximum wind: Westerly 10-15mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 70% increasing to 90%, early low cloud will lift and clear most areas. Falling to 60% again as evening rain spreads east.

Low Cloud and visibility: Scattered or broken low cloud above 600m around northern hills will lift and clear during the morning, perhaps more low cloud around western ranges in the evening. Very good or excellent visibility developing during the day, perhaps moderate at first in the north. Scattered cloud falling back to 600m later in the evening.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 10 rising to 15 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 5 rising to 9 Celsius.
Freezing level: Above all summits.

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